Tax Credit CAP



The legislative session of 2009 enacted SF483 which established a maximum amount of tax credit awards (CAP) to be issued by the Department of Economic Development (now the Economic Development Authority). This legislation included the programs: High Quality Jobs (HQ); Enterprise Zone (EZ) and Housing Enterprise Zone (HEZ); along with the Film Promotion Tax Credit Program; Corporate Research Credit under the EZ (which was a duplication of the research credit offered under HQ); and the Assistive Device Credit (which did not have any projects/demand despite being in existence for several years).

The CAP was set by legislation at \$185 million per fiscal year for the above mentioned programs. The IDED Board, at their June 2009 approved the following allocation as recommended by staff:

Fiscal Year 2010								
Program	Initial Allocation	Revisions*	Final Allocation	Actual Awards				
Business (HQ/EZ)	\$123,000,000	\$5,400,000	\$128,400,000	\$51,600,000				
HEZ	\$12,000,000	\$6,000,000	\$18,000,000	\$14,200,000				
Film	\$50,000,000	(\$11,400,000)	\$38,600,000	\$38,600,000				
Total	\$185,000,000	\$0	\$185,000,000	\$104,400,000				

*NOTE: This re-allocation was approved at the December 2009 IDED Board meeting in order toaccurately reflect the best estimate of the remaining film tax credit liability if projects registered prior to the program suspension decided to move forward with their projects.

Legislation passed during the 2010 session reduced the overall CAP from \$185 million to \$120 million but did not add or delete any programs (the film tax credit program was under suspension). The IDED Board, at its June 2010 meeting, approved the following allocation that was not revised during fiscal year 2011:

Fiscal Year 2011								
Program	Initial Allocation	Revisions	Final Allocation	Actual Awards				
Business (HQ/EZ)	\$100,000,000	\$0	\$100,000,000	\$63,800,000				
HEZ	\$20,000,000	\$0	\$20,000,000	\$4,800,000				
Film	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0				
Total	\$120,000,000	\$0	\$120,000,000	\$68,600,000				

The 2011 legislative session brought more programs under the CAP but did not vary the dollar limit from its previously established amount of \$120 million. Various pieces of legislation added several new programs and put them under the CAP. These include the Redevelopment Tax Credits under the Brownfield program (\$5 million), the Innovation Fund Credits (\$8 million) and the Community Based Seed Fund Credits (\$2 million). The Innovation and Community Based Seed credits are grouped together at a total of \$10 million. The IDED Board, at its June 2011 meeting, approved the following allocation:

Fiscal Year 2012								
Program	Initial Allocation	Revisions	Final Allocation	Actual Awards*				
Business (HQ/EZ)	\$90,000,000	\$0	\$90,000,000	\$16,700,000				
HEZ	\$15,000,000	\$0	\$15,000,000	\$3,400,000				
Film	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0				
Brownfield	\$5,000,000	\$0	\$5,000,000	\$4,800,000				
Innovation/Seed	\$10,000,000	\$0	\$10,000,000	\$0				
Total	\$120,000,000	\$0	\$120,000,000	\$24,900,000				

*NOTE: The actuals reflect awards through October 2011.